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# H. R. 3255

To amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to correct the tariff treatment of certain iron and steel pipe and tube products.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 16, 1996

Mr. QUILLEN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. NONALLOY IRON AND STEEL PIPES AND**  
4 **TUBES.**

5 Chapter 73 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the  
6 United States is amended—

7 (1) in the superior text for subheadings  
8 7306.30.30 and 7306.30.50 to read as follows:

9 “Having a wall thickness of 1.65 mm or more, not  
10 galvanized.”;

1 (2) in each of the subheadings 7306.10.10,  
 2 7306.20.60, 7306.30.50, and 7306.90.10—

3 (A) in column 1 general rate of duty, by  
 4 striking “1.5%” and inserting “4.9%”; and

5 (B) in column 2 rate of duty, by striking  
 6 “5.5%” and inserting “20%”;

7 (3) in each of the subheadings 7306.20.20 and  
 8 7306.60.10—

9 (A) in column 1 general rate of duty, by  
 10 striking “0.4%” and inserting “4.9%”; and

11 (B) in column 2 rate of duty, by striking  
 12 “1%” and inserting “20%”; and

13 (4) by inserting in numerical sequence the fol-  
 14 lowing new superior text and subheading, with the  
 15 article description having the same indentation as  
 16 the article description for subheadings 7306.30.30  
 17 and 7306.30.50:

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|---|------------|---|------|---------------------------------|-------|----|
| “ | 7306.30.60 | Having a wall thickness of<br>1.65mm or more, galva-<br>nized ..... | 6.5% | Free (C, E,<br>IL) 1.3%<br>(CA) | 21.5% | ”. |
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18 **SEC. 2. ALLOY IRON AND STEEL PIPES AND TUBES.**

19 Each of the subheadings 7306.50.50 and 7306.90.50  
 20 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States  
 21 are amended—

22 (1) in column 1 general rate of duty, by strik-  
 23 ing “3.9%” and inserting “9.5%”; and

1 (2) in column 2 rate of duty, by striking “10%”  
2 and inserting “28%”.

3 **SEC. 3. STAINLESS STEEL PIPES AND TUBES.**

4 Chapter 73 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the  
5 United States is amended—

6 (1) in column 1 general rate of duty of sub-  
7 heading 7306.40.10, by striking “6.1%” and insert-  
8 ing “10.1%”; and

9 (2) in subheading 7306.40.50—

10 (A) in column 1 general rate of duty, by  
11 striking “4%” and inserting “10.1%”; and

12 (B) in column 2 rate of duty, by striking  
13 “11%” and inserting “29%”.

14 **SEC. 4. NEGOTIATING AUTHORITY.**

15 In the event that a claim for compensation under any  
16 provision of the Uruguay Round Agreements (as defined  
17 in section 2(7) of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (19  
18 U.S.C. 3501(7))) or any other trade agreement to which  
19 the United States is a party is made by any contracting  
20 party to that agreement as a result of the amendments  
21 made by this Act, the United States Trade Representative  
22 is authorized to negotiate such reasonable compensation  
23 as may be appropriate.

1 **SEC. 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

2       The amendments made by this Act shall apply with  
3 respect to articles entered, or withdrawn from warehouse  
4 for consumption, on or after the 15th day after the date  
5 of enactment of this Act.

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